



## Idaho Crop & Livestock Producer News

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*Dear Respondent:*

*This issue of the Idaho Crop and Livestock Producers' News covers the results of the March 1 Milk Production Report. Total production and number of cows are reported for selected states and the U.S.*

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Sincerely,

William R. Meyer  
Director

### Idaho Monthly Milk Production Up 11.0 Percent

Idaho milk production during February 2008 totaled 940 million pounds, an 11.0 percent increase from the same month last year, but down 59 million pounds from January 2008. February 2008 had one extra day compared to 2007... Revised production for January 2008 totaled 999 million pounds, up 2 million pounds from the preliminary estimate, and 7.5 percent above January 2007. Average milk production per cow in February 2008 was 1,760 pounds, down 110 pounds from January 2008, but up 80 pounds from February 2007. The average number of milk cows during February was 534,000 head, unchanged from January 2008 but up 30,000 head from February 2007.

Milk production in the 23 major States during February totaled 13.9 billion pounds, up 6.0 percent from February 2007. January revised production at 14.7 billion pounds, was up 2.7 percent from January 2007.

The January revision represented an increase of 40 million pounds or 0.3 percent from last month's preliminary production estimate. Production per cow in the 23 major States averaged 1,653 pounds for February, 69 pounds above February 2007. The number of milk cows on farms in the 23 major States was 8.42 million head, 136,000 head more than February 2007, and 9,000 head more than January 2008.

### Milk Cows and Production: by Month, Idaho, 2007-2008

Month	Milk Cows 1/		Milk Per Cow 2/		Milk Production 2/		Change From 2007
	2007	2008	2007	2008	2007	2008	
	<i>1,000 Head</i>		<i>Pounds</i>		<i>Million Pounds</i>		<i>Percent</i>
January*	502	534	1,850	1,870	929	999	7.5
February 3/	504	534	1,680	1,760	847	940	11.0
March	504		1,880		948		
April	503		1,860		936		
May	506		1,930		977		
June	508		1,910		970		
July	516		1,970		1,017		
August	520		1,970		1,024		
September	521		1,880		979		
October	522		1,880		981		
November	525		1,810		950		
December	530		1,870		991		
Annual	513		22,513		11,549		

\*Revised 1/ Includes dry cows, excludes heifers not yet fresh. 2/ Excludes milk sucked by calves. 3/ 2008 Leap Year

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# Milk Production, Average Number of Cows, Selected States, February 2007-2008

State	Milk Cows 1/		Milk Per Cow 2/		Milk Production 2/		Change From 2007
	2007	2008	2007	2008 3/	2007	2008 3/	
	<i>1,000 Head</i>		<i>Pounds</i>		<i>Million Pounds</i>		<i>Percent</i>
Arizona	175	185	1,930	1,960	338	363	7.4
California	1,795	1,841	1,755	1,805	3,150	3,323	5.5
Colorado	115	125	1,670	1,815	192	227	18.2
Florida	130	124	1,415	1,490	184	185	0.5
Idaho	504	534	1,680	1,760	847	940	11.0
Illinois	103	102	1,460	1,515	150	155	3.3
Indiana	165	167	1,580	1,600	261	267	2.3
Iowa	211	216	1,620	1,600	342	346	1.2
Kansas	110	109	1,510	1,660	166	181	9.0
Kentucky	93	91	1,100	1,110	102	101	-1.0
Michigan	328	344	1,750	1,760	574	605	5.4
Minnesota	455	463	1,485	1,525	676	706	4.4
Missouri	115	110	1,180	1,170	136	129	-5.1
New Mexico	353	339	1,535	1,790	542	607	12.0
New York	628	626	1,480	1,590	929	995	7.1
Ohio	275	279	1,380	1,440	380	402	5.8
Oregon	115	114	1,590	1,475	183	168	-8.2
Pennsylvania	548	551	1,500	1,530	822	843	2.6
Texas	347	370	1,640	1,785	569	660	16.0
Vermont	140	140	1,385	1,500	194	210	8.2
Virginia	100	98	1,380	1,450	138	142	2.9
Washington	235	244	1,780	1,850	418	451	7.9
Wisconsin	1,246	1,250	1,470	1,530	1,832	1,913	4.4
23 State Total	8,286	8,422	1,584	1,653	13,125	13,919	6.0

1/ Includes dry cows, excludes heifers not yet fresh. 2/ Excludes milk sucked by calves. 3/ 2008 Leap Year

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